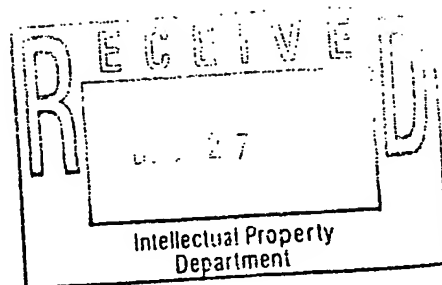


EXHIBIT A



DATA
ENTERED

TO THE U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE
Please stamp the date of receipt of the following
document(s) and return this card to us.

JC675 U.S. PTO
10/007370
11/05/01

Express Mail No. EL 823 500 956 US

Title of Document: Patent Appln (22 pages specification, claims and
abstract); 1 title Page; 6 sheets formal drawings; Declaration and Power of
Attorney (3 pages); Assignment (2 pages); Recordation 1595; Information
Disclosure Statement; PTO-1449; 1 Transmittal (in triplicate)

Serial No. To be assigned
Paper Dated November 5, 2001
Atty Dkt NO. 2001P10727US01
Attorney Alexander J. Burke/ceb

JC675 U.S. PTO
10/007370
11/05/01

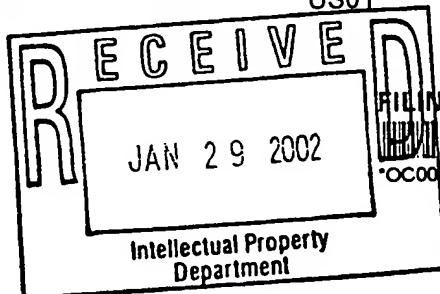


UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING DATE	GRP ART UNIT	FIL FEE REC'D	ATTY DOCKET NO	DRAWINGS	TOT CLAIMS	IND CLAIMS
10/007,370 ✓	10/22/2001 11/05/2001	2161	992	2001P10727 US01	6	19	6

Elsa Keller, Legal Assistant
Intellectual Property Department
SIEMENS CORPORATION
186 Wood Avenue South
Iselin, NJ 08830



CONFIRMATION NO. 9274

FILING RECEIPT



OC00000007343208

Date Mailed: 01/23/2002

Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Customer Service Center. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

Applicant(s)

Howard T. Marano, Malvern, PA; ✓

Assignment For Published Patent Application

Siemens Medical Solution Health Services Corporation;

Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

THIS APPLN CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/297,958 06/13/2001

Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted 01/22/2002

Projected Publication Date: To Be Determined - pending completion of Omitted Items

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

Title

Method, apparatus, system and user interface for scheduling tasks ✓